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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer who supports broadband competition. I choose to use my local ISP, Sonic.net, over a larger player such as Comcast, because Sonic offers competitive prices, superior customer service, and a public commitment to net neutrality. Unlike other providers in my area, Sonic is also rolling out gigabit fiber-optic lines, so I can look forward to even better internet speeds, which are essential for my work as a software developer. Internet access has become an essential utility for all, so I support healthy competition among broadband providers and continued regulation that protects affordable internet access. My parents live in a rural area in New Hampshire, and they also use a local broadband provider as the only affordable option. Internet access is a requirement for my mother's work in information technology. Please commit to saving the Bridge 2 Broadband, thereby preserving competition, new infrastructure development, and affordable access for all, especially rural America, schools, libraries, hospitals, police, fire/rescue, and local governments.

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